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SUBJ: CODEL HUMPHREY/SCOTT

1. IN TALK APRIL 9 WITH U.S. PROFESSOR MARSHALL SHULMAN, USA INSTITUTE DIRECTOR ARBATOV SAID THAT U.S. SENATE GROUP HAS ASKED FOR A WEEK'S POSTPONEMENT ON SOVIET PROPOSAL OF SECOND PART OF MAY FOR SENATORIAL VISIT. ARBATOV SAID THAT UNFORTUNATELY PONOMAREV, SUSLOV, AND SOME OTHER KEY FIGURES WOULD BE TRAVELLING THEN. ARBATOV SAID HE WAS ASKED BY SOVIET AUTHORITIES WHETHER THE U.S. REQUEST FOR A POSTPONEMENT REFLECTED A POLITICAL MOTIVE; HE SAID IN HIS REPORT THAT HE DOUBTED IT AND THAT THE SENATE WOULD PROBABLY BE GENUINELY BUSY. ARBATOV TOLD SHULMAN THAT HE WAS SADDENED THAT DIFFICULTIES HAVE AGAIN ARISEN ABOUT TIMING AND HE WAS NOT ENCOURAGED BY FACT THAT SENATOR SPARKMAN AND SOME OTHERS ARE NOW APPARENTLY NOT PLANNING TO COME.

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY HAD BEEN UNAWARE THAT DATES FOR VISIT ARE ONCE AGAIN UNDER ACTIVE NEGOTIATION, IF INDEED THEY ARE. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION DEPARTMENT CAN PROVIDE.
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